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NAPA COUNTY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERSHIP AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Thursday

JANUARY 13, 2022

12:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER - WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Call to Order at 12:32 pm

Present: Ron Abernethy, AJ Alarcon, Mark Boessenecker, Ferlyn Buenafe, Craig Burch, Jodi Dell, Amanda Gibbs, Jen Gonzalez, Karen Graff, Sue Kuss, Barbara Nemko, Oscar Ortiz, Fabio Rodriguez, Daniel Sanchez, Corey Utsurogi, Brad Wagenknecht, Jennifer Yasumoto

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment at this time.

3. MEETING MINUTES

Consider approving the November 18, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Motion: Ron Abernethy
Second: Jennifer Yasumoto
Minutes Approved

4. INTRODUCTIONS

No introductions at this time.

5. CCP PLAN

Update regarding the submission to the Board and State Community Corrections.

The Annual plan was submitted to the Board of State and Community Corrects in December 2021. There was discussion regarding the opportunity to have a Judge included in the Executive subcommittee. Judge Boessenecker will look into inviting a Judge in the future. The Court Executive Officer, Bob Fleshman, is on the Executive Committee as the designee of the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court. There will be a discussion including the District Attorney's role in probation violations for the next CCP plan. FLASH incarcerations continue to occur; Probation is currently the only agency with authorization

to impose FLASH incarcerations at this time. The CCP will consider revisions and updates to the plan for 2022.

6. MEMBERSHIP

Review application received for the *Interested Citizen Representing Victims* vacancy.

There is currently an application submitted from an individual interested in joining in the victim services position. The CCP will give additional time for applications to come in to fill the role.

7. AB 109 / CCP BUDGET

Review the current budget and estimated FY 22/23 budget.

Daniel Sanchez states the last fiscal year's budget was just under \$7 million with a total revenue of \$12 million. Sanchez asks that each department review their section and let him know of any discrepancies. He also advised to expect some minor changes to the budget with the new Governor's budget released on January 10, 2022.

SB129 provides funding for implementation of ongoing Court programs and practices that promote pretrial release in a safe, efficient, fair, and timely manner. There may be a need to review pretrial program funding as the grant funding sunsets to maintain proper operations. The County received \$211,000 for SB 129, which needs to be spent by June 30, 2022. Probation has 2.0 FTE Probation Officers assigned to Pretrial Services, paid from AB 109. To spend down the SB 129 money by June, Probation will defer their salary reimbursement from AB 109 and will claim toward funding received from SB 129. This is a temporary shift in salary and benefits from AB 109 with the expectation that next fiscal year, Probation will continue to claim the 2.0 FTE Probation Officers from AB 109. Given the significant reduction in funding available for Pretrial after the grant is over, the CCP may need to revisit funding for this program. Amanda Gibbs will convene the Executive Committee of the CCP to review the budget in detail.

The Governor's Budget released on January 10th includes new investments for local law enforcement to address organized theft which expressly include Probation departments. It also continues to provide funding for SB 678 at the level determined by the existing statutory formula. PRCS funding continues with a slight proposed decrease, but the impact should not be substantial.

8. OPERATIONAL UPDATES

A. REENTRY – Report from the Corrections and Probation department

There are no updates at this time. Dina Jose has reached out to the State and has not heard back from them yet.

B. PRETRIAL – Report from Superior Court and the Probation department

There are no updates at this time. Pretrial will continue program operations consistently despite funding reductions.

C. JAIL POPULATION – Report from the Corrections Department on the current population

The current jail population is at a 193. COVID-19 protocols continue to be in place.

D. STATUS OF REALIGNMENT FROM PARTNERS – Roundtable discussion from Members and Community Partners

Public Defender: There are some changes in law regarding the instance when an individual is incompetent to stand trial. The option to send those who are incompetent to stand trial to the State Hospitals is no longer permissible. They are either required to be referred to a mental health diversion, conservatorship, or dismissed of charges on a case-by-case basis. There is still no access to clients in custody who are quarantined, but Ron Abernethy would like to thank the Court and Corrections for allowing breakout groups before court begins.

Health and Human Services (HHS): Jennifer Yasumoto states that the Behavioral Health Director position was approved on January 4, 2022. CalAIM went live on January 1, 2022, and the new services are available online. The mobile response team is almost fully staffed and the Department will continue to work with law enforcement. There is a new partnership with the Library to include a position downtown. HHS is in the process of determining what to do in consideration of the Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA). The FFPSA was introduced to prevent children from going into foster care as much as possible. There are still staffing shortages in both the shelter and HHS department.

Courts: Has staffing shortages as well. Judge Smith is the new Presiding Judge. Judge Wood is the Assistant Presiding Judge. The Criminal Court Judges are Judge Boessenecker, Judge Ortiz, Judge Solga, and Judge Langhorne.

Board of Supervisors: The Board of Supervisors are working on an American Rescue Plan that includes about \$27 million divided into three budgets. This includes pandemic response, community and equity, and infrastructure.

Sheriff: As many other departments, the Sheriff's office is dealing with staffing shortages due to COVID-19. The state hospitals are not taking new intakes and are restricting movements at this time.

Police Department: There is one full time Captain and one full time Lieutenant position open/opening soon.

District Attorney: The District Attorney's Office is dealing with staffing challenges as well.

Schools: The schools are open and committed to stay open at this time. The only virtual option is independent studies. Schools are currently dealing with staff shortages and

now have administration staff teaching in classrooms. The schools want to stay open, so there is hope to continue constant COVID-19 testing.

GEO: Their services continue to be primarily online and through phone calls. They plan to have an in-person transition ceremony.

County Counsel: Corey Utsurogi requests that the MOU between Mental Health and the Jail be available for review.

Jail: There are some staffing issues at this time, but they want to keep giving access to professional visits.

Probation: The department was also struggling with COVID-19 issues and do not want to reduce services provided to clients. Probation Officers are assisting in the Juvenile Hall and homeless shelters as needed to provide coverage. In the upcoming year, Probation will focus on evidence-based practices including training for justice agencies.

9. OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

No other items are up for discussion at this time.

10. ADJOURN

Meeting Adjourned at 1:26 pm